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Note verbale dated 18 May 2018 from the Permanent Mission of the Comoros addressed to the Chair of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of the Union of the Comoros to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004).

The Permanent Mission has the honour to inform the Committee that the Union of the Comoros does not manufacture weapons of mass destruction or conventional weapons and does not possess such technology.

Nevertheless, further to the adoption of Security Council resolution 1540 (2004), the Permanent Mission encloses herewith the report of the Union of the Comoros pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 4 of that resolution (see annex).

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Annex to the note verbale dated 18 May 2018 from the Permanent Mission of the Comoros addressed to the Chair of the Committee

Report of the Government of the Comoros on its implementation of Security Council resolution 1540 (2004)

The present report has been prepared in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 4 of resolution 1540 (2004) and is being submitted to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to rule 28 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

Paragraph 1

"*Decides that* all States shall refrain from providing any form of support to non-State actors that attempt to develop, acquire, manufacture, possess, transport, transfer or use nuclear, chemical or biological weapons and their means of delivery;"

The Union of the Comoros does not provide any form of support or assistance to non-State actors that attempt to develop, acquire, manufacture, possess, transport, transfer or use nuclear, chemical or biological weapons or their means of delivery.

Paragraph 4

Aware of the threat that the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and their means of delivery poses to international peace and security, and convinced that all Member States must abide by their disarmament and arms control commitments, the Union of the Comoros unreservedly supports the various international efforts to ensure the non-proliferation and elimination of such weapons. It is also concerned about the devastating effects of the manufacture and use of weapons of mass destruction and their means of delivery, whether by States or by non-State actors. Furthermore, it has repeatedly called for an end to the manufacture, use, possession, transport and stockpiling of such weapons because of the devastation they can cause globally, regionally and nationally.

In order to ensure international peace and security, the Union of the Comoros would like such weapons quite simply to be eliminated. In that regard, it has supported and sponsored in the Disarmament and International Security Committee the relevant General Assembly resolutions on combating the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

The commitment to and focus on this issue by the Union of the Comoros are reflected internationally by its signature of and accession to the major international treaties and conventions on nuclear, biological and chemical weapons of mass destruction.